

LEGISLATIVE BILL 14

Approved by the Governor February 20, 2003

Introduced by Schimek, 27

AN ACT relating to elections; to amend sections 32-204 and 32-320, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to rename a fund; to change provisions relating to the fund; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 32-204, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

32-204. ~~The Voter Registration Cash Election Administration Fund is hereby created. The fund shall be used by the Secretary of State to pay for the printing and distribution of forms for voter registration and any other~~ consist of federal funds, state funds, gifts, and grants appropriated for the administration of elections. The Secretary of State shall use the fund for voting systems, provisional voting, computerized statewide voter registration lists, voter registration by mail, training or informational materials related to elections, and any other costs related to elections. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. The State Treasurer shall transfer any money in the Voter Registration Cash Fund on the effective date of this act to the Election Administration Fund.

Sec. 2. Section 32-320, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

32-320. The only mail-in forms which may be used to register to vote shall be the official registration form prescribed by the Secretary of State or the national mail voter registration application prescribed by the Federal Election Commission. The Secretary of State shall provide such official registration forms to all recruitment offices of the United States Armed Forces. The counties and state agencies listed in section 32-310 shall purchase such official registration forms from the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall remit proceeds from the sale of such forms to the State Treasurer for credit to the ~~Voter Registration Cash Election Administration Fund.~~

Sec. 3. Original sections 32-204 and 32-320, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.

Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when passed and approved according to law.